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A KEATING PLAN TO PATROL CUBA

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WASHINGTON.

An inter-American Coast Guard, directed by the Organization of American States and designed to bar Cuban arms smuggling to Communist guerrillas in Latin America, was proposed yesterday by Sen. Kenneth B. Keating, R., N.Y. The Senator already has forwarded his proposal to

Secretary of State Dean Rusk. If Mr. Rusk favors it, Sen. Keating suggested, it should be placed before the 20-member OAS "as soon as possible."

"Such a peace-keeping consisting of small, but high-speed craft, could patrol the coastlines of all member nations, and prevent illicit shipments of weapons to terrorist groups throughout Latin America," Sen. Keating said.

The OAS (from which Cuba was effectively ousted following Premier Fidel Castro's tie-up with Russia) voted recently to break diplomatic relations and apply economic sanctions to the Havana regime. It did so after validating charges by Venezuela that Castro-directed guerrillas, using Cuban arms, had attempted to overthrow the Venezuelan Government. Only Mexico and Uruguay have not broken

ties with Cuba in response to the OAS decision.

Sen. Keating, in a television program taped here for New York State stations, called the OAS move "a very important step in the isolation of Castro." But, he added, "it would be tragic if the Cuban dictator continued his campaign of subversion and terror in spite of the unity of purpose shown by the OAS."

He said he suggested an OAS-directed Coast Guard, to which all member-states, presumably would supply vessels and manpower, because "smuggling of arms

and guerrilla bands by Castro remains a serious problem."

Yesterday's guest on Sen. Keating's weekly program was Enrique Tejera, Venezuelan Ambassador to the United States.

Ambassador Tejera said he belied the OAS boycott action, plus Venezuelan Army and police efforts, now have blunted the Communist threat to his government.